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Response to August 13, 2003 Office Action and Preliminary Amendment

In response to the Office Action mailed August 13, 2003, Applicants elect the invention of Group II, which includes claims 10-15.

Prior to examination of the application, please amend the application as follows: